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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant submits information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

A copy of the International Search Report dated September 29, 2004 is submitted herewith. Applicant also provides copies of the four (4) items cited in the International Search Report. It will be noted that these publications were placed in the "A" category as defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance.

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